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2. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

3. Briefing on the Information Science Training Program

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- a. teach the students how to use computer terminals,
- b. teach the students how to build and use computer files,
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Principal problems that emerged from the discussion were:

a. A requirement for OTR to evaluate what its role is to be in the information science field. In this question are others related to the extent to which we will provide Intelligence Community training, and the extent to which we will perform a consultative role to operating offices.

b. It is not clear at this time precisely what an expanded information science program means in terms of personnel, money, or space. One of the difficult-to-assess factors is the extent to which other agencies will provide personnel to help run the information science programs. [REDACTED] is thanked for a lucid and interesting presentation. STATINTL

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